

BEFORE THE  
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

TERRE-JOHANNA BOWLSBY  
2201 Sycamore Drive Apt 143  
Antioch, CA 94509

Registered Nurse License No. 378611  
Public Health Nurse Certificate No. 38888

Respondent.

Case No. 2008-28

**DECISION**

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on March 24, 2008.

IT IS SO ORDERED March 24, 2008.



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President  
Board of Registered Nursing  
Department of Consumer Affairs  
State of California

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10 **BEFORE THE  
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

11 In the Matter of the Stipulation Pursuant to  
12 Business and Professions Code Section 2751  
Against:

Case No. 2008-28

13 TERRE-JOHANNA BOWLSBY  
14 4608 New Hope Lane  
Salida, CA 95368

**STIPULATED SURRENDER OF  
LICENSE AND ORDER**

15 and

16 3924 Cloverbrook Avenue,  
17 Oakley, CA 94561

18 Registered Nurse License No. 378611  
Public Health Nurse Certificate No. 38888

19 Respondent.  
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21 In the interest of a prompt and speedy resolution of this matter, consistent with the  
22 public interest and the responsibility of the Board of Registered Nursing of the Department of  
23 Consumer Affairs the parties hereby agree to the following Stipulated Surrender of License and  
24 Order which will be submitted to the Board for approval and adoption as the final disposition of  
25 the Stipulation pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 2751.

26 PARTIES

27 1. Ruth Ann Terry, M.P.H., R.N. (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of  
28 the Board of Registered Nursing. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is

1 represented in this matter by Edmund G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State of California,  
2 by Lorrie M. Yost, Deputy Attorney General.

3 2. Terre-Johanna Bowsby (Respondent) is representing herself in this  
4 proceeding and has chosen not to exercise her right to be represented by counsel.

5 3. On or about August 31, 1984, the Board of Registered Nursing issued  
6 Registered Nurse License No. 378611 to Terre-Johanna Bowsby (Respondent). The license was  
7 in effect at all times relevant herein, and will expire on October 31, 2009, unless renewed.

8 4. On or about September 23, 1985, the Board of Registered Nursing issued  
9 Public Health Nurse Certificate No. 38888 to Terre-Johanna Bowsby (Respondent). The  
10 certificate was in effect at all times relevant herein, and will expire on October 31, 2009, unless  
11 renewed.

#### 12 JURISDICTION

13 5. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 2751, the Board of  
14 Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, may file and adopt this  
15 Stipulation without the filing of a pleading when the ability of a registered nurse to practice  
16 nursing safely is impaired due to mental or physical illness.

#### 17 ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

18 6. Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations  
19 in this Stipulation pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 2751. Respondent also has  
20 carefully read, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.

21 7. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the  
22 right to a hearing on the charges admitted in the Stipulation; the right to be represented by  
23 counsel, at her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her;  
24 the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right to the issuance of  
25 subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to  
26 reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the  
27 California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

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8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

### CULPABILITY

9. Respondent admits that she has been charged by the Board with having been examined by a psychiatrist and found to be unable to practice safely as a registered nurse due to a psychiatric disability. Respondent agrees that these charges, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline on Respondent's licenses pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 822 and 2751. Should Respondent ever apply for reinstatement of either of her licenses, or come before the Board or any other government agency responsible for issuing professional licenses in any type of matter, Respondent stipulates that these charges regarding her inability to practice safely shall be deemed to be admitted as facts without the necessity of further proof.

10. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of her registered nurse license and public health nurse certificate without further process. Respondent hereby agrees to the surrender of her Registered Nurse License No. 378611 and Public Health Nurse Certificate No. 38888 for the Board's formal acceptance.

RESERVATION

11. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Board of Registered Nursing or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.

## CONTINGENCY

12. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Registered Nursing. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of Registered Nursing may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her agreement or seek to rescind

1 the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt  
2 this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall  
3 be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action  
4 between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having  
5 considered this matter.

6 13. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated  
7 Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force  
8 and effect as the originals.

9 14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties  
10 agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the  
11 following Order:

12 **ORDER**

13 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Registered Nurse License No. 378611 and Public  
14 Health Nurse Certificate No. 38888, issued to Respondent Terre-Johanna Bowlsby are  
15 surrendered and accepted by the Board of Registered Nursing.

16 15. The surrender of Respondent's registered nurse license and public health  
17 certificate and the acceptance of the surrendered license and certificate by the Board shall  
18 constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record  
19 of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board.

20 16. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a registered nurse in  
21 California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.

22 17. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board her registered nurse  
23 wall and pocket license certificate and her public health nurse wall and pocket certificate on or  
24 before the effective date of the Decision and Order.

25 18. Respondent fully understands and agrees that if she ever files an  
26 application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall  
27 treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations  
28 and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed,

1 and all of the charges and allegations contained in this Stipulation shall be deemed to be true,  
2 correct, and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the  
3 petition.

4 19. Should Respondent ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification,  
5 or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of  
6 California, all of the charges and allegations contained in this Stipulation shall be deemed to be  
7 true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other  
8 proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.

9 20. Respondent shall not apply for licensure or petition for reinstatement for  
10 one (1) years from the effective date of the Board of Registered Nursing's Decision and Order.

11 21. Upon seeking reinstatement, it shall be the responsibility of Respondent to  
12 submit competent evidence of her ability to safely and competently practice as a registered nurse  
13 for consideration by the Board in connection with her petition for reinstatement.

14 ACCEPTANCE

15 I have carefully read the Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I understand  
16 the stipulation and the effect it will have on my registered nurse license and public health  
17 certificate. I enter into this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly,  
18 and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Registered  
19 Nursing.

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21 DATED: 1.12.08

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24 TERRE JOHANNA BOWLSBY  
25 Respondent  
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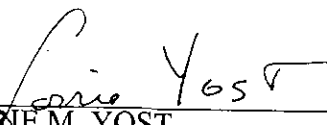
1 ENDORSEMENT

2 The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully  
3 submitted for consideration by the Board of Registered Nursing of the Department of Consumer  
4 Affairs.

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6 DATED: 12-18-07.

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Psychiatric Evaluation of:

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**PETITION TO COMPEL  
PSYCHIATRIC EXAMINATION**

21 Complainant alleges:

22 PARTIES

23 1. Ruth Ann Terry, M.P.H, R.N (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely  
24 in her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department  
25 of Consumer Affairs.

26 2. On or about August 31, 1984, the Board of Registered Nursing issued  
27 Registered Nurse License No. 378611 to Terre-Johanna Bowlsby (Respondent). The license was  
28 in effect at all times relevant herein, and will expire on October 31, 2007, unless renewed.



3. On or about September 23, 1985, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Public Health Nurse Certificate No. 38888 to Terre-Johanna Bowlsby (Respondent). The certificate was in effect at all times relevant herein, and will expire on October 31, 2007, unless renewed.

## JURISDICTION

4. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.

5. Section 820 of the Code states:

“Whenever it appears that any person holding a license, certificate or permit under this division or under any initiative act referred to in this division may be unable to practice his or her profession safely because the licentiate's ability to practice is impaired due to mental illness, or physical illness affecting competency, the licensing agency may order the licentiate to be examined by one or more physicians and surgeons or psychologists designated by the agency. The report of the examiners shall be made available to the licentiate and may be received as direct evidence in proceedings conducted pursuant to Section 822.”

CAUSE FOR EXAMINATION

6. Under Business and Professions Code section 820, the Board may order a licensee to be examined by one or more physicians and surgeons or psychologists designated by the agency whenever it appears a licensee may be unable to practice his profession safely due to mental illness or physical illness affecting competency. Based upon the following information which the Board has been provided with during its investigation into this matter, it appears that Respondent may be mentally or physically ill to the extent that her ability to safely and competently practice as a licensed registered nurse is affected.

a. Respondent has been diagnosed with Schizophrenic Affective Disorder (aka Schizoaffective Disorder), a combination of symptoms of schizophrenia and affective (mood) disorder. She has experienced hallucinations and mood disturbances.

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b. Respondent had been being treated by psychiatrist Robert B. Schorr until his death in 2006. Treatment was then transferred to Dr. Deborah Cheang. Respondent has also been seen by Marriage and Family Therapist Heather Smith.


c. Respondent has been being treated for her condition with weekly psychotherapy sessions and various medications. The medications she is being treated with are as follows: Cogentin (benztropine), Effexor XR (venlafaxine), Geodon (ziprasidone), Synthroid (levothyroxine), Atenolol, Flexeril (cyclobenzaprine), Tylenol III/codeine (prn), and Estrogen.

d. Respondent has been on disability for approximately the last five years but now wishes to return to work as a registered nurse.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, petitioner requests that the Board of Registered Nursing issue an order, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 820 requiring Terre-Johanna Bowlsby to be examined by a *physician specializing in psychiatry* or by a psychologist at a time convenient to Ms. Bowlsby, but not more than 30 days from the service of such order, to determine whether she is mentally ill to the extent that her condition affects her ability to safely practice as a licensed registered nurse.

DATED: 7/24/07

  
RUTH ANN TERRY, M.P.H., R.N.  
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State of California  
Complainant

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**ORDER TO COMPEL**  
**PSYCHIATRIC EXAMINATION**

22 Ruth Ann Terry, M.P. H., R.N., Executive Officer, Board of Registered Nursing,  
23 Department of Consumer Affairs, has petitioned this Board for an order requiring Terre-Johanna  
24 Bowsby, Registered Nursing License No. 378611 and Public Health Certificate No. 38888, to be  
25 examined by a physician and/or surgeon specializing in psychiatry or by a psychologist, pursuant  
26 to Business and Professions Code section 820. It appears to the Board that Terre-Johanna  
27 Bowsby may be mentally ill to the extent that her condition affects her ability to practice  
28 registered nursing safely.

1 IT IS NOW THEREFORE ORDERED pursuant to Business and Professions  
2 Code section 820:

3 1. That Terre-Johanna Bowlsby shall submit to an examination to be  
4 conducted by a physician and/or surgeon specializing in psychiatry or by a psychologist selected  
5 by the Board or its designee to determine whether Terre-Johanna Bowlsby is mentally and/or  
6 physically ill to such an extent as to affect her ability to practice registered nursing safely;

7 2. That the examination of Terre-Johanna Bowlsby shall be conducted at a  
8 time mutually convenient to Respondent and the examiner selected by the Board, but in no case  
9 later than 30 days after the service of this Order;

10 3. That the examination shall continue from day to day until completed, and  
11 shall include any and all examinations and tests ordered and/or conducted by the examining  
12 psychiatrists or psychologists as considered necessary in their professional judgment, and the  
13 results of said examination shall be reported by the examiner in a detailed written report setting  
14 forth his/her findings and conclusions, which report shall be delivered to the Executive Officer of  
15 the Board of Registered Nursing, with a copy of said report to the Respondent;

16 4. That the failure of Respondent Terre-Johanna Bowlsby to comply with this  
17 Order by either refusing or failing to submit to the examination, or by refusing or failing to  
18 cooperate with the examiner, shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action against  
19 Respondent's registered nursing license pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 821.

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21 IT IS SO ORDERED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST, 2007.

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President, Board of Registered Nursing  
Department of Consumer Affairs  
State of California